

# Virginia Green Hotels & Lodging Facilities



## Wyndham Patriots' Place Resort Williamsburg, VA

**Virginia Green** is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. **Virginia Green** has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, **Virginia Green** encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations, and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities. These are the activities that guests / customers can expect to find when they visit this facility.

### **Wyndham Patriots' Place Resort**

Set on a converted, par three golf course, We are a newly renovated, 392 unit, timeshare resort, located approximately 1 mile from Colonial Williamsburg.

As part of the world's largest hospitality company, we are very aware of the impact that we have on our environment and are committed to being good stewards.

We excusively use Arbor Day coffee in the lobby, guest units and back of house. The Arbor Day foundation supports reforestation and only use shade grown Peruvian coffee grown on farms certified by the Rain Forest Alliance. We actively support and participate in local greening events, such as Adopt a Highway and Clean Up The Bay Days. We have an active Green Team to consistantly monitor our efforts and look for ways to be even better stewards.

#### **Virginia Green Activities**

#### This facility pledges that they:

#### Offer optional linen service

- Have signage in each guest room explaining the linen reuse procedures
- Change linens only upon request
- Train housekeeping staff on our process for optional linen service
- Use non-phosphate, non-toxic and biodegradable laundry detergents
- Use a service that has environmentally-preferable wet cleaning for dry-clean only items

#### Recycle

- Have in place clearly marked recycling bins or provide convenient drop-off locations for guests to recycle:

- Plastic Bottles
- Aluminum cans
- Steel cans
- Newspaper
- Office paper

#### Other items recycled by the facility:

- Printer/ copy machine toner cartridges
- Cardboard
- Fluorescent lamps
- Batteries
- Electronics equipment such as computers, etc.

#### Reduce solid waste

- Track overall solid waste costs
- Have a numeric goal to reduce overall materials that go to the landfill
- Instruct housekeeping staff to save and reuse unopened items
- Use disposable foodservice items that are made from recycled content
- Use disposable foodservice items that are recyclable (in your area!)
- Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters
- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Use high-efficiency hand-dryers
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels and toilet paper
- Remove facility and staff names from junk mail lists when possible
- Reuse scrap paper for notes
- Purchase recycled paper with a high-percentage recycled content
- Make double-sided photocopies and avoid making extra photocopies
- Use electronic correspondence and forms when possible
- Use green cleaning products that are dispensed in bulk
- Install carpet with sustainable or recycled content and low-VOC adhesives
- Use reused building materials or those from sustainable sources
- Use latex, low or no-VOC paints
- Properly recycle and/or dispose of thinners and solvents
- Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping

#### **Use water efficiently**

- Track overall water usage and wastewater costs
- Have established a numeric goal to reduce water consumption over time
- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have installed high efficiency dishwashers
- Have installed low flow faucets and showerheads (use less than 2.5 gallons per minute)

- Have installed low flow toilets (use 1.6 gallons per flush or less)
- Have installed waterless urinals
- Use microfiber technology mops
- Have landscaping that utilizes native species
- Use rain gauges and water meters and only irrigate when necessary
- Have installed rain gardens to manage storm water
- Have minimized impervious areas (paving, concrete, etc.)
- Maintain vegetative buffers around streams and ponds

#### **Conserve energy**

- Track overall energy bills
- Have established a numeric goal to reduce energy usage over time
- Have individual thermostats for each room; ensure they are correctly adjusted
- Have installed ceiling fans
- Regularly perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
- Have installed a high efficiency HVAC system
- Keep office doors and windows closed if HVAC system is on
- Use natural lighting (i.e., open draperies and raise shades whenever adequate light from windows is available)
- Use lighting sensors to turn on/off lights
- Use occupancy sensors to turn on/off lights
- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off lights in unoccupied rooms
- Have installed high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps (T-5 and T-8)
- Have installed compact fluorescent light bulbs in all rooms and canned lighting
- Have installed directional (downward-facing) lighting in parking areas and other outdoor areas
- Have adopted a policy/practice to minimize the use of lighting during night cleaning
- Use ENERGY STAR qualified appliances (commercial kitchens, heating and cooling, consumer electronics)
- Use ENERGY STAR qualified office equipment (computers, monitors, copiers, printers, etc.)
- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off fans, computers, monitors and other devices in unoccupied rooms at the end of the workday or when otherwise not being used

For more information on **Wyndham Patriots' Place Resort**, see www.PatriotsPlaceResort.com or contact Glenn Callahan at glenn.callahan@wyn.com or 800-989-6901.

For more information on the Virginia Green program, see www.deq.state.va.us/Programs/PollutionPrevention/VirginiaGreen.aspx.

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